IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ralph de la Torre

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Examiner: Annette R. Reimers

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Sir:

PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME TO REPLY

The applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks for a one month extension of time to reply to an Office Action dated February 18, 2005. With the extension of time, the time for reply is extended to June 18, 2005 making this reply timely in nature. The \$60 small entity fee for the one month extension is enclosed herewith.

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